

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for April 20:

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### **BOATING SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK**

**Salt Lake City** – Safe boating includes making sure your boat and equipment are in top condition and safe to operate on Utah's waters.

Boating managers encourage boat owners to seek professional help from a reputable marine dealer or repair shop for all repairs. Inspect the following items before heading out for the season:

Motor

- Change oil and oil filter
- Check spark plugs and plug wires
- Check fuel filters
- Replace hoses and clamps as needed
- Check fuel tank, fuel lines and fuel level; replace primer bulb if cracked
- Ensure engine oil, power steering, and power trim levels are full
- Remove obstructions from the water intake
- Verify operation of bilge pump
- Check and change coolant, store extra onboard
- Test belts for tension and condition
- Check transmission fluid level
- Clean backfire flame arrestor

Trailer

- Inflate tires to proper pressure, replace low tread or cracked sidewalls
- Repair rollers and pads as needed
- Inspect brakes
- Repack bearings and hubs
- Clean and lubricate tongue jack and winch
- Inspect brake lights and turn signals

For more information on boating safety, please visit [stateparks.utah.gov](http://stateparks.utah.gov) or call (801) 538-BOAT (2268). Wear it Utah!

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## **LAKE COURSE AT WASATCH MOUNTAIN OPEN FOR SEASON**

**Midway** -- The Lake Course at Wasatch Mountain State Park Golf Course is now open for play. Though April, greens fees are \$37 for 18 holes with cart. The Mountain Course will open as soon as weather and snow conditions permit.

The Soldier Hollow Silver Course, also at Wasatch Mountain State Park, is open for play at a limited-time rate of \$27 for 18 holes with cart.

For more information or for tee times, call Wasatch Mountain Golf Course at (435) 654-0532 or (801) 266-0268. For Soldier Hollow Golf Course, call (435) 654-7442 or (801) 261-4733.

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## **UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS**

May 7 -8                      Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante  
International Migratory Bird Celebration: Enjoy beautiful photography and learn to identify birds of prey during a presentation by the local U.S. Forest Service raptor biologist Friday, May 7 at 8 p.m. Go bird watching with the park naturalist on Saturday, May 8 at 8 a.m. Kids can enjoy bird games and activities on Saturday, May 8 from 10 a.m. until noon. Prizes and fun for all! Meet at the visitor center for all events. (435) 826-4466

May 7                          Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins  
Up in the Night - Intro to Bats: Join Wildlife Biologist Keith Day at 7:30 p.m. and learn more about bats and who's up in the night. You might get a chance to 'see' their calls recorded on an Anabat detector! (435) 628-2255

May 8                          Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins  
Snow Canyon Geology Hike: From volcanic activity and lava flows to petrified sand dunes, learn about the shaping power of geologic forces. Join geologist Janice Hayden on this two-mile, roundtrip hike at 9 a.m. Program registration is held two days preceding the scheduled event. All programs are free and open to the public. (435) 628-2255

May 12                         Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse  
Volunteer Project - Weed Control: Weeds are a big problem on Antelope Island and we need help controlling them. Join park staff for a day of weed control beginning at 8 a.m. at the park's headquarters (near bison corrals). (801) 807-9456 or (801) 209-4678

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